

PATENT
1248-0683P

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: ASHIDA, Nobuyuki
Appl. No.: New Group:
Filed: January 16, 2004 Examiner:
For: INTEGRATED CIRCUIT

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 16, 2004

Sir:

The following Preliminary Amendments and Remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes:

Claim Set as Amended; and
Remarks.